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4. STATE 15785 ATTEMPTS TO GET A FIX ON NEED FOR AND LOCATION OF DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE'S REGIONAL TRADE

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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM WILLIAMSON
E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: AFSP, SA
SUBJECT: STAFFING
REF: (A) STATE 0944; (B) STATE 15785; (C) A-91
1. IN ORDER PLACE VARIOUS REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION RE STAFFING IN YOUR COUNTRY IN PERSPECTIVE THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE USEFUL PROVIDE YOU WITH PICTURE AS WE SEE IT.
2. A-91 WE UNDERSTAND TO BE YOUR REQUEST FOR STAFFING NEEDS FOR YOUR MISSION FOR THE IMMEDIATE AND NEAR TERM.
3. STATE 944 WAS A REQUEST FOR YOUR ESTIMATE OF RESOURCES NEEDED FOR JOINT COMMISSION ACTIVITIES.

5. IN THE FIRST TWO INSTANCES WE ARE DEALING WITH RESOURCES NEEDED BY THE DEPARTMENT. IN THE LATTER, WE ARE TRYING TO DETERMINE IF A PURELY COMMERCE POSITION SHOULD BE

FILLED AND IF SO WHERE IT WOULD BEST BE LOCATED.

6. THESE REMAIN THREE SEPARATE AND DISTINCT PROJECTS.
THE BUREAU IS NOW REVIEWING ALL ITS RESOURCES TO
DETERMINE WHAT CAN BE REPROGRAMMED TO MEET YOUR A-91
REQUESTS. WE HOPE TO HAVE SOME RESULTS FOR YOU SOON.
MEANTIME WE ALSO HAVE BEEN TASKED WITH REQUIREMENT TO
DEVELOP JOINT COMMISSION RESOURCE NEEDS FOR THE DEPARTMENT AND FOR THE OVERSEAS POSTS INVOLVED IN THIS
ACTIVITITY. (STATE 944). RESOURCE NEEDS IN THIS CATEGORY
WILL BE QUITE SEPARATE REQUEST FOR FUNDS AND POSITIONS.
FINALLY, AS INDICATED, POSITION DISCUSSED IN STATE 15785
BELONGS TO COMMERCE AND IS THEREFORE NOT AVAILABLE FOR
OUR USE. KISSINGER

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